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Enclosed herewith are the following for the above-identified non-provisional patent application:

1. Response to May 5, 2006 Office Action (6 pgs); and
2. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, Applicants request that the Mail Room contact the undersigned collect at telephone number (617) 542-6000.

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Response to May 5, 2006 Office Action and Supplemental Preliminary Amendment

In response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2006, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (SEQ ID NO. 1), with traverse. Applicants traverse is that the need for restriction as between any inventions corresponding to SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:3 is now moot because new claim 74 and amended claim 67, from the remaining claims in the application depend, specifies a sequence--amino acids 22-328 of SEQ ID NO:1--that is common to the amino acid sequences of both SEQ ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:3.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.